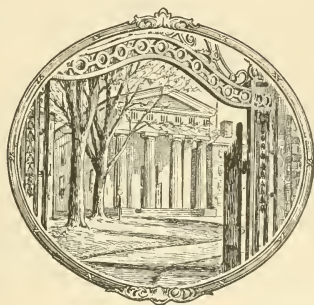


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AN APPRECIATION OF E. BENJAMIN ANDREWS

(At the annual meeting and twenty-third reunion of the Sons of Brown of Woonsocket, held at Woonsocket, Rhode Island, on the evening of February 12, 1918, it was unanimously voted that these words of appreciation be spread upon the records of the association and a copy be sent to Mrs. Andrews with our sympathy in her great sorrow. Frederic Earle Whitaker, '88, Secretary.)

From the Elms of Brown have gone forth more than one great college president, but most beloved of them all and, it may be, the greatest of the American college presidents of his day, both in head and heart, was Doctor Elisha Benjamin Andrews of the Class of '70.

Probably no other college teacher of his generation so emphatically and uniquely put his stamp on his work, aims and ideals, and the name of his college, in national and even international repute. From the age of sixteen, when, as a country lad, he gave himself body and soul to his country's call in the War for the Union, he cheerfully fought, the Happy Warrior, ever laying on the altar of his country the inspiring fruits of his high thinking, kind heart and loyal citizenship. His untrammelled mind and intellectual honesty have inspired many a man, common and "colleged", and Town hardly less than Gown.

From the day he assumed the duties of the presidency of the College on the Hill, he was a marked man and a national character, and never failed to hold the love and admiration he once won. Many a Brown man was made and made

over sometimes, too, for the higher things of life by the tender yet manly words and treatment of whole-souled "Bennie Andrews", who knew no race or creed but manliness triumphant and the sincere struggle of honest purpose.

As organizer and administrator, as scholar and writer, as broad-minded preacher and college teacher, and as guide of youth and friend of men, the influence of the master-mind endured with its peculiar power, alike in the vigor of his manhood and in the exile of the invalid's chair at Interlachen.

Next to his country and his home, came his devotion to Brunonia the Beautiful, with its elms on that campus he considered the most beautiful in the world. "Brown men on the Firing-Line" he judged not by their numbers but by their hearty devotion; and year after year, when the strain and stress of sickness would have saddened the heart and numbed the mind of a less brave man, he sent his welcome messages of wisdom, loyalty and cheer to the Sons of Brown of Woonsocket, who always seemed very near to his heart.

With bowed head and saddened heart but grateful memory, we offer this tribute of our appreciation of the life and work of Elisha Benjamin Andrews, Interpreter and Exponent of American Education and the Spirit of American Manhood.

FROM A BASE HOSPITAL IN FRANCE

Base Hospital No. 9, A. E. F.

February 3, 1918.

Editor Brown Alumni Monthly:

We hear such inspiring reports of the seething preparations being made in America and the wonderful patriotism which you are all exhibiting that a word from a quiet American base far from the guns may even seem a bit slow. Though I find it most fascinating to watch the unfolding of the great drama of America's participation in the great war, the truth is that we are just now beginning honestly to earn our Government pay as officers.

Landing on the Brittany coast in mid-August and coming here to take over an already established institution of 36 stone buildings, we found it rather tiresome at first. Inventories had to be taken, changes made, plans drawn and new materials requisitioned. Then there was a long wait until deliveries began, but finally things began to move and patients to arrive and now we are in fairly good activity both as to growth and operation though mostly medical, so far as the latter is concerned.

I was fortunate enough to be sent on two missions while we waited, once to the French and once to the British front, for five and two weeks respectively.

One gets two impressions from seeing in action the vast machinery of present-day warfare—one of bewilderment at the scope and expense of it all, and one of intense admiration for the courage with which death is faced and cruel suffering borne.

Of the two trips that to the British front, though of shorter duration, was the more exciting and instructive, as we went up to help in the Cambrai "show," (as the English say), and got in a good place, some six or eight miles back.

The dreadful desolation of the countryside and artillery fire perhaps make the greatest impressions.

For twelve miles from the Base to our Clearing Station, there was not a house standing, not a tree, except blasted trunks, and not a civilian—nothing but gashed fields (already growing up rough grass), abandoned trench-lines and barbed wire fields and here and there by the roadside a wrecked tank. And dotted everywhere were the little wooden crosses, oftenest marked "unknown."

I spent one entire afternoon walking about over a part of the Somme battlefield, where the shell holes in places leave no untouched ground in which to walk, and it was all very exciting, but pathetic.

Even in our well enough sheltered place I found myself wondering how near-by artillery fire could be endured.

It is just one constant roar, in which only the noise of the larger guns is deeply defined, and keeping up at times without a fraction of a second's quiet for hours—once from 6:45 a. m. until sun-down.

Aeroplane bombing is coming more and more to be used, and I think gas and unending bombing may be the two striking features of the fighting to come.

I am always on the lookout for my Brown friends but so far do not run across them much.

No doubt many are in the service and I am particularly carrying around the Battery number of my friend Runx Weeden, in hopes!

This letter starts on its long journey to the home-land leaving me well and bearing my sincerest wishes for the continued prosperity of the Monthly and my love unending to the Old College on the Hill.

James M. Kent, 1899,

Captain, Medical Corps, U. S. R.

A BROWN FOOTBALL MAN AT THE FRONT

Letters from Stephen S. Bean, '14

Among the many Brown men now in France in the service is Stephen S. Bean, 1914, who will be remembered as the reliable right halfback on the football team for the four years he was in college. He enlisted last May in the Base Hospital Unit No. 6, which was organized at the Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, and went across in July. He has charge of the transportation of supplies to his hospital, which is one of the largest in France. Unit No. 6 took over a French hospital, which has been thoroughly modernized. "Steve" is the son of George F. Bean of the class of 1881, and was in business in Boston when he enlisted. His home is in Woburn, Mass. The following extracts are from recent letters to his father:

France, Jan. 10, 1918.

An ordinary night in camp. I am sitting by the fire at the foot of a cot, writing by candle light, hearing the slightly muffled voices of men in other tents "down the line" and smelling the pungent pine smoke from the field stove fire and thinking of what my family, including the two dogs, are probably doing at this moment.

I said "ordinary;" but it was not so in my mind because the day was one of the extraordinary days when the mail brought for me eight letters; one of them was from Dr. Walter of Brown. It was a sort of general letter to some 37 graduates, former students of his in comparative anatomy. It was however far from impersonal. He wrote on the margin of it "You did not take comparative anatomy, but we chased birds together." He refers to the ornithological pursuits of Bartlett and myself with him. Very good of him to remember me thus.

If my letters seem cheerful, be sure it is not forced, for I feel that way much

of the time, though never early in the morning. When I am roused from my slumbers by the bugle, sounding out through the brisk, dark atmosphere, I am thoroughly disgusted and homesick, but, once dressed and when the tent badinage begins, things brighten up. It really is hard to understand one's distaste for rising at 7.15 in a warm, carpeted room, not long since. There are many things in the life here which will help us to appreciate what we have hitherto all taken for granted, but particularly, after this adventure is over, will we appreciate our homes and all that they stand for.

Just now in the transportation department we are at work chiefly in bringing fire wood from one of the stations. There is a scarcity of trucks so that we have been obliged to unload the cars to the ground in order to liberate them and then have established a guard over the wood until such time as we can have more trucks at our disposal.

This morning six men were assigned to me, but only one truck came so I had to go to the station and pick up a load of fire wood, bring back the men who were on guard there and leave four men to pile the wood in compact form as it had been thrown hastily from the cars. This truck has just returned and I sent it away again with four cases which are to be shipped to Paris. On the way back it will stop at the warehouse to pick up a load of coffins.

Jan. 12, 1918.

Last night's mail brought Mary Andrews' "The Three Things" from you. The reading of this book was very much worth while. I devoured it by candle light in a little over half an hour. I shall pass it around to the other fellows to read as I shall also pass around Empey's "Over the Top," the other book

which came from you. I have read a part of that and have been held by every word. It has a straight from the shoulder, genuine quality that appeals to me.

As I was washing up just before writing you, it occurred to me how many things I was using which had come from you; the soap, the towel, the wash cloth, the tooth paste, the stockings on my feet and the cap on my head; not to mention the last cookie which came on the top of the fudge which I just ate.

This morning we brought to the hospital a large tent to accommodate twenty additional men in our unit, which goes to indicate that more men are coming. Censorship rules forbid my stating the number of patients or the nature of their cases.

Jan. 19, 1918.

It is very spring-like here to-day, about like a late April day at home. We are fortunate not to suffer from the extreme cold here, combined with scarcity of fuel, which has been experienced at home. The temperature at no time has been what one would call severe in Boston. The weather is fine now and we are assured that there will be but few cold days more this winter.

I read in the American Continental Edition of the London Daily Mail of the shutting down of factories at home for five days. Doubtless this is but one of many things which will make people realize that we are actually at war. The country must have changed much both in appearance and attitude since last July.

In addition to the London paper we also have European editions of the New

York World and Chicago Tribune and so we are able to keep somewhat informed as to what is going on in the world outside of the war zone. These papers do not have detailed accounts of local matters and therefore home papers or clippings therefrom are very much appreciated.

The fact that continues to impress me almost daily in France is the absence of young men civilians. There are several cemeteries in this vicinity and very frequently as we go about a funeral procession passes in front of us. The people walk instead of riding to the cemetery. We of course stop until the procession has passed. The women always walk in front and when the men appear the chauffeur starts our truck. I am apt to say to him in French: "When you see the men you know it is time to start up," and he will reply "Yes, but there was a time when there were men to go to funerals." The proportion now appears to be about one male to twenty-five females.

As additions to the transportation department we now have four four-horse French Artillery outfits. We have also hired nine Frenchmen beside regular enlisted French army drivers, and it is a part of my duty to see that these men stick to their job and don't drink too much wine.

We recently received a five-ton Pierce Arrow truck from the Red Cross and have dispensed with the French camions. I have to plan the work for this force and also to keep track of material delivered, and thus my mind and legs are fairly busy.

BROWN MEN IN SERVICE

President Faunce, briefly reviewing the year at Brown University before the visiting committees on March 7, reported that over fourteen hundred Brown men are now directly or indirectly serving their country. From the students who were undergraduates at the American

declaration of war, 315 have enlisted; 650 alumni are also in active military service. In addition, 200 alumni are engaged in important war work and 270 undergraduates are constantly drilling in the Brown R. O. T. C. This raises Brown's war roster to the total of 1435 names.

LANGDON'S TRANSLATION OF DANTE

By Harry Lyman Koopman

We congratulate the University and all its friends on the publication of the first volume of the translation of Dante's *Divine Comedy* to which Professor Langdon has been devoting the best energies of his mind and spirit during all his years of teaching at Brown. With scores of translations of Dante, in full or in part, already at the reader's disposal, from the Miltonic blank-verse of Cary, which Macaulay praised so highly, to the faithful prose of Norton, a new translator must, if his work is not to be superfluous, feel a still unsupplied want in all existing translations and also believe himself peculiarly equipped for his task. Professor Langdon in his preface gives his reasons for dissatisfaction with the work of his predecessors, and modestly refers to his own special qualifications for the work, which we may restate with greater emphasis. He was born in Rome and passed his boyhood in Dante's own city of Florence, thus not only speaking the mother-tongue of Dante, but among the same scenes. As for his English equipment, he had English all the time as his own mother-tongue, and in his youth returned to America, having his home in Cambridge, where he was a neighbor of Longfellow. But Professor Langdon has higher than lingual qualifications for his undertaking. He might apply to himself the words used by Bayard Taylor in discussing translations of Faust, "one familiar with rhythmical expression through the needs of his own nature." His recent *Sonnets of the War*, one of which forms the splendid invocation to the present volume, would amply justify this claim. But his fitness goes beyond technique, and is found at its highest in his life-long devotion to the spiritual interpretation of the universe, of which Dante's great work is, next to the Bible, the greatest exemplar.

Professor Langdon's translation has therefore proceeded from within outward, first entering into the spirit of the original and then clothing itself with the most appropriate form obtainable.

As the thought in Dante is extremely close, a rhymed version, with its inevitable sacrifices, rules itself out, especially the triple rhyme of the original. One has only to turn to a translation like Plumptre's to be convinced of this. Even Wright, who has ingeniously kept the triplicity with a dual rhyme, and Parsons, who has used the alternate rhymes of Gray's *Elegy* in his beautifully spiritual rendering, have both sacrificed more to rhyme than seemed to Professor Langdon tolerable, especially as he had ready to hand in English blank-verse a poetic medium that has been used to better advantage than any other verse form in any language, and would seem to be beyond question the one that Dante himself would choose, were he now to write in English. There are doubtless as many varieties of our unrhymed pentameter as it has writers; but, speaking broadly, we may say that Professor Langdon's blank-verse is neither that of the Elizabethans nor Milton nor Wordsworth, but is nearer to that of Tennyson. It is thus for instance that he renders the lovely opening of the second canto:

Daylight was going, and the dusky air
was now releasing from their weary toil
all living things on earth; and I alone
was making ready to sustain the war
both of the road and of the sympathy,
which my unerring memory will relate.

The reader will notice that each line begins with a small letter unless a capital letter is otherwise called for, Professor Langdon holding our convention of initial capitals in lines of poetry to be unmeaning and intrusive. The English is regularly paragraphed as an aid to un-

derstanding the thought; the Italian lines are indented in the familiar *terzina* form, and are numbered by threes.

But the reader is asking, how does the new translation vary from its predecessors? Is it possible after all to translate the same Italian words so very differently? We answer that if Professor Langdon's volume added no new note of interpretation or expression, still it would make an important contribution to the deeper understanding of the poem, but of that more anon; now we will present the passage already quoted as it has been rendered by the best previous translators, the first being Cary's:

Now was the day departing, and the air,
Imbrowned with shadows, from their toils released

All animals on earth; and I alone
Prepared myself the conflict to sustain,
Both of sad pity, and that perilous road,
Which my unerring memory shall retrace.

The next is Wright's, in his skillful modification of the *terza rima*:

The day was closing, and the dusky air
On all the creatures of the earth bestowed
Rest from their labors;—I alone prepare
To war with pity, and in strenuous fight
Contend against the horrors of the road,
Which an unerring memory shall recite.

Next follows Longfellow's line-for-line blank-verse rendering:

Day was departing, and the embrowned air
Released the animals that are on earth
From their fatigues; and I the only one
Made myself ready to sustain the war
Both of the way and likewise of the woe,
Which memory that errs not shall retrace.

Parsons, whose translation John Fiske highly commended, thus renders the passage in his alternate rhymes:

Day was departing, and the dusky light
Freed earthly creatures from their labor's load:
I alone girt me to sustain the fight,
(A strife no less with pity than my road),
Which memory now shall paint in truth's own hue.

In 1915 the late Professor Johnson of Bowdoin published a translation of the *Divine Comedy*, in which the passage is rendered as follows:

The day was going, and the darkening air
Was taking all the living things on earth
From their fatigues; and of them I alone
Was making ready to sustain the war,
Both of the journey and the suffering,
Which memory that errs not shall retrace.

We can give space to but one prose translation, which shall be that by John Carlyle, the only prose version in English that has attained the rank of a classic:

The day was departing, and the brown air taking the animals, that are on earth, from their toils; and I, one alone, was preparing myself to bear the war both of the journey and of the pity, which memory, that errs not, shall relate.

The passage quoted is too short to do more than suggest the quality of Professor Langdon's translation in comparison with those of his predecessors. For the rest we can only, through lack of space, refer the reader to his appropriate renderings of episodes so widely varying in spirit as those of Paolo and Francesca in the fifth canto, Ulysses in the 26th canto, and Ugolino in the 33rd canto. Professor Langdon recognizes that, while Dante at his best is on the highest level of poetic expression attained by man, the *Divine Comedy* is by no means all at this high level, and he feels no responsibility for making his author in any given passage any more sublime or beautiful than he actually was. He has not only striven to rise, but has also been content to sink with his original. He has invited the challenge of constant comparison of his English with the Italian by printing both on opposite pages. For the most part his rendering is line for line; but he has not bound himself, as did Longfellow, to maintain this fidelity arbitrarily. Sometimes the greater conciseness of English has brought four Italian lines into three of the translation. In such cases by splitting a single line he has preserved the parallelism of the rest with the original. He has not been afraid to make certain bold departures. For instance, the word *Maestro* as applied to Virgil he has translated Teacher, for the simple reason that it means Teacher, and not Master in any other sense. In the same way he calls Aristotle "the Teacher of those that know." Certain variant readings also he has adopted as making better Dan-

tean sense, though not usually accepted; but to these he has uniformly called attention in his Interpretative Analysis. As it is our privilege to know, and, indeed, as the preface implies, the translation is distinctly a growth, developed through years of self-criticism on the part of its author into the closest possible approximation to his ideal. We believe that the careful reader, especially if he makes frequent reference to the Italian, will feel the presence in the translation not merely of learning and skill, but also of what can come only with time, ripeness. In illustration of this quality we will demand space for another quotation, the opening paragraph of the 24th canto:

When in the youthful season of the year
the sun beneath Aquarius warms his locks,
while southward now the nights pursue their
way;
and when the hoar-frost draws upon the
ground
the counterfeit of her white sister's face,
though shortly lasts the temper of her pen;
the peasant, lacking provender, gets up,
looks out, and seeing all the country white,
slaps himself on the thigh, returns in doors,
and walking to and fro, laments, poor wretch,
not knowing what to do; then later on
returning out again, recovers hope,
on seeing that the world has shortly changed
its face; and, taking down his shepherd-staff,
out to their feeding drives his tender sheep.

The style of the translation is distinctly modern. Professor Langdon has denied himself the use of archaic words, so dear to the poetic heart, and has held himself down to a strictly contemporary vocabulary, as Professor Palmer did in his translation of the *Odyssey*. The translation therefore, when read aloud, reaches the average listener's understanding instantly and without loss.

It is, however, his Interpretative Analysis even more than his translation that represents Professor Langdon's contribution to his reader's better understanding of the *Divine Comedy*. In its

more than fifty pages of relatively fine print he takes up the poem canto by canto, explaining the more difficult passages, and everywhere making sure that his reader shall realize what Dante is driving at. Professor Langdon holds that Dante is a poet for all times as well as for all time, and he points the moral for to-day in these lessons six centuries old. We believe that the illumination cast by these notes on what is to so many the "selva oscura" of the *Divine Comedy* will attract and enable them to read the poem through for the first time and so appreciate it as a whole. We await with eagerness the appearance of the next volume with its subject matter more sympathetic to translator and reader, the beautiful and human *Purgatorio*. We may expect that in the promised fourth volume Professor Langdon will greatly expand the brief hints of his Analysis, and thus make it a reflex of his lectures on the *Divine Comedy*, which have inspired so many Brown students, in college and ever since, during a quarter of a century. May our interpreter's progress be speedy and sure until the conclusion of his labor of love!

The publishers have nobly supported the translator by making a book that invites one to read and relieves reading of effort. The noble type and the ample margins are not only restful but they seem to say: Here is a book that you need not be afraid to linger over; it depends not for its interest upon the moment, nor will it lose it when this moment has been supplanted by the next. Read, enjoy, profit, and read again.

The *Divine Comedy* of Dante Alighieri: The Italian Text, with a Translation in English Blank Verse and a Commentary by Courtney Langdon. Volume I, *Inferno*. Cambridge. Harvard University Press, 1918. Octavo. lxxv, 397 pages. Price \$2.50.

A contribution of \$20.00 a year to the Loyalty Fund has just been made by a Chinese graduate of Brown now resident in one of the largest cities of China.

Rev. Henry M. King's address on John Eliot and Roger Williams, which he delivered at Roxbury, has been issued in pamphlet form.

ADVISORY AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The regular meeting of the Advisory and Executive Committee was held in the President's office at three o'clock, Friday, March 8th. The report of the Superintendent of Grounds and Buildings showed very few repairs during the month. The Treasurer reported regarding several bequests to the University and received authority to sign certain papers. The sub-committee on expenditures for the academic year 1918-19 presented its report. This recommended economies of a stringent character in several directions. Though realizing that these economies will cause much inconvenience, and at times difficulty, the committee approved the report and asked the sub-committee to present it later in a complete form.

It was voted that a committee be appointed to prepare and send to each member of the Corporation, in advance of the annual meeting, a statement of the important subjects to come before the meeting.

It was voted that the committee approve the establishment of summer courses, with the understanding that the guarantee fund should protect the University from further deficit and that not less than 125 students be enrolled.

It was voted to increase the library committee by two more members, one from the Corporation and one from the Faculty. Mr. W. T. Peck of the Classical High School was appointed as the Corporation member.

It was voted to appoint a committee to confer with the fraternities with a view to having the undergraduate members live in the University buildings next year.

A communication was received from the Advisory Board of the Alumni regarding the appointment of a committee by that Board to act in concert with the Corporation in attempting to increase subscriptions to the Loyalty Fund, or otherwise to obtain means to meet the expenses of the University during the war. With much appreciation the Advisory and Executive Committee voted to appoint a committee to co-operate with the trustees of the Loyalty Fund.

It was voted to authorize the President to arrange with the Navy Department for the establishment of a naval training unit at Brown University. The resignation of Mrs. Louise P. Bates as keeper of graduate records, to take effect at the close of the year, was received and accepted.

DEAN RANDALL'S WESTERN TRIP

The Dean left Providence Wednesday, Feb. 27th, making his first stop in Chicago. He made four addresses in Chicago on Friday, the first at the Evanston High School, where he spoke on the meaning and value of education in the varied activities of life, and particularly at this time in the prosecution of the war. He urged the pupils to continue their education if possible through college, in order that they might be more efficiently prepared for the heavy duties to be placed upon their shoulders in later life.

The second address was made before the Harrison Technical High School in Chicago, a modern school of 2500 pupils, under the supervision of a Brown man, Mr. F. L. Morse, of the Class of '86. The Dean explained to these pupils the opportunities for study at Brown, academic and technical, pointing out special opportunities along engineering lines. There were 2,000 present in the auditorium who marched in and out of the hall to the music of a band of 40 pieces made up entirely of home talent.

At noon the Dean addressed 300 young business men under the auspices of the Chicago Chamber of Commerce on the mission of the college in present day activities with particular reference to business.

The Brown alumni banquet was held in the evening at the La Salle Hotel, Rev. Arthur Rogers of the Class of '86 presiding. The Dean spoke on the Effect of the War upon the College and Education, citing cases where men who heretofore had been apathetic and irresponsible had suddenly become serious of purpose and ambitious to make themselves serviceable in these times of need, also pointing out the pressing demand for vocational training which was likely to lessen interest in purely cultural courses.

On Saturday the Dean spoke before the St. Louis alumni, who met in the City Club for luncheon. His theme was the financial need of the college on account of the great depletion in the number of students and the dependence of the college upon the support of the alumni. He paid high tribute to the Faculty, who were ready to offer their service without reserve and small remuneration,

and showed how the college was using every opportunity within its reach to serve the country during the war. Augustus L. Abbott and Dr. Bitting gave the Dean an opportunity to visit many points of interest in St. Louis, including Washington University and the famous Horticultural Gardens.

On Monday evening the Dean spoke before the Cincinnati alumni at their banquet held at the University Club, at which Mr. J. D. Sage, a member of the Brown Board of Trustees, presided. As a number of preparatory school pupils and principals were present, the Dean took pains to point out the excellent opportunities for study at Brown and the advantages of sending Western men to us. Judge S. W. Smith of the Class of '80 and Mr. Sage gave the Dean a royal reception and did everything in their power to make his visit in Cincinnati memorable.

The Dean left Cincinnati Tuesday morning, stopping six hours in Cleveland, and arrived in Providence early Thursday morning highly pleased with the results of the trip.

PHI BETA KAPPA

The organization of Phi Beta Kappa Alumni in New York, now in its fortieth year and numbering eight hundred members, desires to add to its roll all men who are members of the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity and who reside in New York city or its vicinity. During each season three meetings are held at the Hotel Savoy, at which there is an address by some speaker of eminence, often of international reputation. There is also opportunity for social intercourse, and at the end of the evening a collation is served. Good company, good cheer, and high intellectual enjoyment are happily combined on these occasions.

All men who wear the key and who

may be sojourning in the city are cordially invited to attend these meetings as guests of the Association. The dates as fast as they are arranged can be ascertained by telephoning to the Secretary or to the Hotel Savoy.

Every member of the Fraternity who has his home in the territory mentioned is urged to join this association. There is no initiation fee and the annual dues are but two dollars.

Send your name and address, the name of your Chapter, and the year of your graduation to the Secretary, Nelson G. McCrea, Philosophy Hall, Columbia University, New York, who will present your application to the Council.

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FOR A BROADER BROWN

A group of Brown men in casual talk the other day came to the conclusion that if the University could afford the services of a duly-appointed representative to visit all parts of the country regularly for the purpose of interesting high school and preparatory school students in Brown, the long-standing reproach of "provinciality" which has rested on more than one New England college in the past would be no longer applicable so far as we are concerned.

The Alumni Monthly is aware that any such proposal will seem to some persons to be too much in the nature of unworthy solicitation and advertisement. It believes, however, that the advantages would greatly outweigh the disadvantages.

In fact the University already goes about as far in this direction as it can afford to go with the resources at its disposal. President Faunce in recent years has made a practice of addressing high school audiences, and the result is seen in the geographical widening of our Brunonian constituency. Dean Randall has lately been on a trip in the West on which he has done a similar wholesome work. Mr. Appleget, the Executive Secretary of the University, is performing a useful function of the same sort.

If we have an attractive educational establishment here in Providence, we are entitled to present its attractions to "sub-Freshmen." What is the difference between distributing college "literature" among them and sending a University representative to state the facts about Brown, answer any questions that may be put to him and facilitate the arrangements of any young man who shows an inclination to come here?

We feel sure that we violate no confidence when we cite the following instance: The Dean was invited to address a high school audience in a Western city the other day. He described the various advantages and facilities obtainable at Brown, and six young men later announced their intention of coming here next fall.

There is a wide difference between an unseemly rivalry among us and other colleges for students and a dignified and self-respecting statement of the facts regarding Brown in parts of the country where those facts are not understood.

If a fund were available for the services of some authenticated and personable representative of the University from now to next September, we are of the opinion that the next entering class would be, at least with respect to geography, the most remarkable we ever had.

In the present Freshman class the geographical distribution of the men, including special students, is as follows: Providence 59, Rhode Island outside of

Providence 50, Massachusetts 46, New York 21, New Jersey 16, Connecticut 15, Maine 7, New Hampshire 5, Pennsylvania, 3, Vermont 2, Illinois 2, Ohio 1 and Indiana 1. In other words, the whole number of states represented is 12 and the only Western states are Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois, with a total representation of only four.

It may be said that there is no sufficient reason for "invading the field" of other colleges. The answer to that is that it will do us good to have students from every part of the country and it will do the West and South good to send more of their students to New England. We need more rather than less contact between the several sections of the republic. Does anyone know a better way to promote national unity and to en-

courage national thinking than by the exchange of Americans in their formative educational years among far separated parts of the United States? It seems to us an ideal proposition.

The Alumni Monthly would like to see twenty new States represented in the next entering class at Brown. There is nothing to prevent a geographical gain of that kind—except the lack of means with which to present Brown to the attention of our distant commonwealths. This is a time when every American institution of the higher learning has to think seriously of its pocketbook. And yet it is a time when one of our foremost patriotic duties is to bind the States of the Union in a new conviction of their common duties and responsibilities.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE IN BROWN UNIVERSITY

The Women's College was represented at the recent Intercollegiate Conference on Vocational Opportunities for College Women, held at Wheaton College, by Miss Elizabeth W. Whitman and by Miss Marion R. Pfeiffer, delegate from the Student Government Association.

At the Chapel service on February 26, Dean King announced the award for 1918-19 of two fellowships. Miss Adele M. Wildes, 1916, won the Emma Josephine (Ayer) Arnold Archaeological Fellowship and will study next year at Columbia University. Miss Hannah G. Roach of the Senior class won the Annie Crosby Emery Alumnae Fellowship. A short address on "The Value of Graduate Study" was given by Miss Eunice C. Smith-Goard, 1907, Chairman of the French department of Wellesley College.

Hereafter the term of office for all organizations at the college will be from February to February instead of from September to June. This arrangement will relieve the Seniors of a great deal of work during the last semester.

The new course begun at the Women's College by Professor Crosby with the Freshmen, is Oral English, not Old English, as was stated in the March Monthly.

BOSTON ALUMNAE

The Boston Brown Alumnae Association held its first meeting of the season Saturday, Nov. 17, at Gordon Bible College with a goodly number in attendance. Unfortunately the following report has been heretofore overlooked by the Monthly.

The note of the meeting was constructive work in connection with the war, Mrs. Peterson, 1901, speaking on recreation work in war camps situated in and around Hingham, her home town; Miss Abbie H. Keith, 1908, outlining the various branches of Red Cross Work in Putnam, Conn., and the influence of such an organization upon a community, and Miss Helen M. Hastings, 1913, telling from actual experience of the organization of a Hospital Unit and touching upon the work to be done by it on the other side. Miss Hastings expects to

go across as a nurse with this Unit.

The meeting closed with a most appreciative tribute to the memory of Dr. Andrews, given by Mrs. Isabel Bliss Wood, 1895, who knew him both as a personal friend and as President of Brown

during the early years of the Women's College.

Tea was served later with the usual social so much enjoyed by all.

Mary Randall Gates,
Corresponding Secretary

BROWN AND THE WAR

NEW MILITARY TEACHER

Lieutenant Alfred Douglas Borden, an invalided Canadian officer, has reported at the University to assist the Brown R. O. T. C. officers in training the Brown Battalion in the methods of modern warfare. The approval of the United States War Department has already been obtained, and the University only awaits formal sanction from the Department of State and the Government at Ottawa, Canada, before definitely announcing the addition of Lieutenant Borden to the Brown Faculty. He will remain at the University through the present semester, and probably for a longer period if required. He was a Senior at Arcadia University, Wolfville, Nova Scotia, when he enlisted. He entered the service at Halifax on Oct. 21, 1915, as a private in the 85th Battalion, Nova Scotia Highlanders. He trained at Halifax, and on the formation of the Highland Brigade in the spring of 1916 he received a commission as Lieutenant in the 219th Battalion. He sailed from Canada on Oct. 9, 1916, and continued training in Whitley, England, and upon the reorganization of the Highland Brigade he was transferred to the 85th Battalion, and with it, on Feb. 10th, 1917, crossed the channel to France. Lieutenant Borden took part in the battle of Vimy Ridge, in April, 1917, where he was wounded in the shoulder. He comes very highly recommended by Canadian officers, and his membership on the Brown Faculty will be a valuable addition to the Department of Military Training.

BROWN NAVAL UNIT

Lieutenant Munn, representing Captain Bryan, Commandant of the Second Naval District, Newport, paid an official visit to President Faunce not long ago and negotiations were begun looking toward the possible establishment of a Naval Training Unit at Brown. If the approval of the Brown Military Committee and Brown Faculty are secured it is probable that the Unit will not be organized until June, and training will extend through the summer months. As in the Brown R. O. T. C., the courses will be under the direct supervision of the Government, in this case through the Naval Department at Newport. Courses will be given in practical and theoretical navigation, naval ordnance and seamanship. Students who successfully complete the work and who are recommended by the officers in charge will be allowed to take the regular Naval examinations for commissions as ensigns.

IMPRESSIONS IN PARIS

Professor Charles H. Hunkins of the Romance Department at Brown, writing from Paris to President Faunce, says:

"The war is always with us, as Parisians realized night before last, when German aviators threw bombs on Paris, killing forty-five people and wounding two hundred and seven. It was a pretty cruel affair, but does not seem to have produced the effect desired by the Germans, viz., a weakening of the morale of the survivors. On the contrary, that seems as good as could be expected after over three years of war and terrible losses

and suffering. It would be unwise to predict the outcome of it all, so I will try not to do so, but everybody is expecting some of the hardest fighting of the war during the approaching spring and summer. Our troops continue to arrive and they are certainly a credit to our country and to themselves. In general their appearance here and their deportment compares favorably with those of England and her colonies, though it must be said that they do not look at all like hardened fighters. In this latter respect the Canadians and Australians are very impressive, and compare favorably with the justly famous 'poilu,' for whom I have a profound admiration. When America entered the war very exaggerated stories of what she could do were sent over here. I know that she is straining every nerve, but we have got to do a lot to meet the French expectations based on those stories.

"The Union (Professor Hunkins refers to the American University Union, an intercollegiate club for Americans in Europe), seems to have a large field opening up before it, and last week I attended a dinner by the vice rector of the University of Paris to bring American and French professor, together and encourage a closer intellectual rapprochement of our universities. There will be another splendid opportunity for the Union when the war is over, because it will probably be a year before all our men can be sent home. We hope during that time to turn our University men to work in the many institutions of learning here.

"Of course all the college men who come to Paris do not register in the Union, as the Y. M. C. A. Hotel in the Rue de l'Echiquier offers splendid accommodations at a cheaper rate; but up to the present twenty-five men from Brown have registered at the Union and many have been there (dropped in) without registering."

LECTURES ON THE WAR

Lieutenant Andre Morize, instructor in the Harvard University Reserve Officers' Training Corps, told "How a Modern Battle is Fought," at Sayles Hall on the evening of March 18. The lecture was open to the public and abundantly illustrated with lantern slides. Members of the Brown R. O. T. C. were required to attend the lecture, and also a lecture the next afternoon in Manning Hall on "Life in the Trenches," attendance at the latter being restricted to the student corps. Lieutenant Morize has served with the French Army and since his discharge, because of wounds, has been assisting in training the Harvard battalion.

BROWN MEN AT ALLENTOWN

President Faunce of Brown University has just received from Major D. C. Hall a complete list of the Brown University Ambulance Unit now in training at Allentown, Pa., showing the whereabouts of each member that enlisted last summer. Of the 36 men, 6 have been voluntarily transferred to the Medical Bacteriological Officers' Training Course at Washington, and two or three others have gone to similar camps. Two new Brown graduates joined the Unit as follows:

Howard A. Brown joined on August 29, 1917, and Milton H. Stanbury was with the Unit until transferred to the Department of French Instruction in Allentown, March 1, 1918.

In spite of the long delay, the Unit is preserving its organization and is now under orders preparatory for service in Italy. Major Hall writes:

"We were all deeply grieved at the loss by death of Chester Calder. He succumbed to a very peculiar and puzzling type of measles,—a type that was new to most others here. He was one of the very best of young men that ever came to this camp, and anything that I could say would fall so short of doing him justice, that I would not attempt it.

I feel a great personal loss and bereavement over the passing of such a noble young man."

FRENCH COMMISSION AT BROWN

Brown was visited by the French Commission on March 18th. This Commission was appointed by the Minister of France to recruit men in Canada for service in the war. After completing this tour, it visited a number of points of interest in the States, and reached Providence Saturday, March 16th.

After a luncheon given by the Town Criers to the Commission on Monday, the 18th at the Crown Hotel, the guests and their friends were escorted by a Company of the Brown R. O. T. C. to

the Administration Building, where in the absence of the President they were received by the Dean. After addresses of welcome by the Dean, General Abbott, and Professor Langdon, the guests were escorted through the grounds and buildings. They were much interested in the Hay Library, including the Napoleon room, old University Hall, and the John Carter Brown Library. They were much pleased to learn the use that was made of University Hall during the Revolution, and the part which the University to-day is trying to play in the great task before the Allied nations.

After the tour of the grounds, the guests and their friends were entertained at the house of Governor Beeckman.

ADVISORY BOARD OF THE ASSOCIATED ALUMNI

By Professor Albert K. Potter, '86

The Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Advisory Board was held on the evening of March 5th and the morning of March 6th. The attendance was somewhat smaller than in recent years but the interest was as great as ever. Twenty-five members were present:—G. F. Bean '81, Fred H. Williams '77, L. W. Cronkhite '05, of Boston; Edmund Wood '76, of New Bedford; A. W. Pinkham '02, of Lynn; A. G. Langley '76, of Newport; F. E. Whitaker '88, of Woonsocket; J. B. Porter '90, of Philadelphia; E. O. Stanley '76, Clarkson A. Collins '76, Walter C. Wyckoff '95, F. L. Gamage '82, of New York; Rev. A. W. H. Thompson '04, of New-ark; W. C. Greene '75, P. C. De Wolf '05, A. C. Matteson '93, J. Palmer Barstow '02, Zechariah Chafee '80, William C. Poland '68, E. K. Aldrich, Jr. '02, A. K. Potter '86, of Providence.

The first session on Tuesday evening was held at the Turks Head Club, dinner preceding the business meeting. Dr.

Faunce was unable to be present at this session, but addressed the Board on Wednesday morning. Mr. Wood was reelected chairman. The three hours of the meeting were given to the selection of candidates for each of the two vacancies in the Board of Trustees, to which the alumni nominate. They have already (March 25) accepted the nomination and their legal eligibility has been approved by the Committee of the Corporation. The names are given in alphabetical order:

For the Baptist vacancy: Frederick T. Field, 1900, of Boston; James M. Pendleton, 1885, of Westerly; Herbert H. Rice, 1892, of Detroit.

For the Episcopalian vacancy: Bishop Louis C. Sanford, 1888, of Fresno, Cal.; William P. Sheffield, 1877, of Newport; Edward O. Stanley, 1876, of New York.

At the session of Wednesday morning Mr. Appleget, Secretary of the Loyalty Fund, gave an informal and very gratify-

ing report of the progress of the Fund. In view of the certain deficit that the University must face while the war lasts, plans for the further development of the Fund were earnestly discussed and the Trustees of the Fund were, by vote, empowered, as a special committee, to increase their number if necessary and to cooperate with any committee that may be appointed by the Corporation.

Messrs. Bean and Weeks were re-elected Trustees of the Loyalty Fund for three years.

The second topic for consideration was Student Self-Help. President Faunce and Mr. Appleget gave information as to what is already done by the University in securing positions for students

and pointed out the lack of continuity in the present methods. It was voted: that the Chair appoint a committee of three to report upon this matter at the next meeting.

Mr. Pinkham gave an interesting account of methods he has found useful in interesting prospective students in Brown.

It was also voted: that it is the judgment of this Board that Fraternities should be urged, as a matter of duty to college and country, to close fraternity houses as far as possible and take quarters in college dormitories.

The Board adjourned in time for luncheon with the Corporation and members of the Visiting Committees.

THE CALL OF THE SEA

An old man sits in his office chair,
 And a queer old man is he,
 For he pays no heed to his grizzled hair
 Or the fact that his face is furrowed where
 Old Time has ploughed so free.
 But instead he looks at the scudding clouds
 And he longs for the salty main,
 For the waters wide with their white-capped crowds,
 For the song of the wind in the straining shrouds
 And his hand on the helm again:
 For his hand on the helm and the spray in his face
 As he luffs to a sudden squall,
 Or holds her down while the billows chase
 From stem to stern in a mad embrace
 Of the smothered and struggling yawl.
 He feels her shiver and heave and sway
 Beneath his wide-set feet,
 As she weathers the reef at the mouth of the bay:
 Then "Hard a-lee!" in the drenching spray
 And "Haul on the staysail sheet!"
 An instant she hangs in the eye of the wind,
 Then fills on the off-shore tack,
 And leaving the hazy hills behind
 In the glow of the fading West enshrined,
 She leaps down her moon-lit track.
 The old man springs from his office chair,
 For he's never content with a dream,
 And joyfully forth we see him fare
 With his furrowed face and his grizzled hair
 To his boat where she swings in the stream.

Prescott O. Clarke, '80

CURRENT TOPICS OF COLLEGE INTEREST.

THE NIGHT BEFORE COMMENCEMENT

There will be an alumni meeting at the Brown Union on the night before Commencement. It will take the form of a memorial to E. Benjamin Andrews.

The meeting will be very informal. There will be four speakers. President Alexander Meiklejohn (Brown '93) of Amherst College is to occupy 20 to 25 minutes, while Professor John M. English, '70, of Newton, a classmate of Dr. Andrews; Professor Bronson, '87, one of the Andrews faculty at Brown, and ex-Governor Higgins, '98, one of Dr. Andrews's pupils, will talk from five to 10 minutes each.

The time for the meeting will be not earlier than 8.30, in order to give the reunion classes the opportunity to get back from their outings.

VISITING DAY AT BROWN

Visiting Day was observed at Brown University on March 6. It began with a social gathering in the forenoon in the Administration building, at which were present many members of the faculty, corporation and visiting committees. At 1 o'clock in the afternoon a brief review of the years's work was presented by President Faunce.

In his address President Faunce told the alumni that the attendance at the university had dropped 25 per cent. because of the war, with the result that financial problems were to be faced. He told of the organization of the Brown War Records Bureau and of the activities of the war work committee.

He spoke highly of the work of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps, and spoke of the special summer courses to be given at Brown for the first time during the coming summer.

The review of the Brown Battalion which had been planned had to be cancelled because of the condition of the ground, but the individual companies of

the battalion demonstrated various branches of their training on the middle campus. Company A ran through the manual of arms, Company D the semaphore drill and Company C bayonet drill.

The committees visited various college departments for consultation with the faculty members of the departments. There was, as usual, a large and distinguished attendance.

Late in the afternoon there was an attractive programme of demonstrations and classes at the Lyman Gymnasium, with the galleries open to the public. An interesting feature of the programme was a demonstration of work given by the advanced swimming class in the Colgate Hoyt pool, including life-saving and resuscitation.

WASHINGTON DINNER

The twentieth annual meeting and dinner of the Brown Alumni Club of Maryland and the District of Columbia (a brief account of which was printed last month) was held at the Cosmos Club, Washington, D. C., on the evening of Feb. 6.

In the absence of President Call, Vice President Burnett presided.

At the brief business meeting which preceded the dinner the Secretary reported that during the past year four lunches had been given by the club and it was proposed to continue to have one a month. These lunches promise to become more and more successful with the increased number of Brown men in the city.

Dr. Burnett then called the attention of the club to the recent death of President Andrews, and also of Major Duncan C. Phillips, '61, a civil war veteran and Pittsburgh manufacturer, who died in Washington last May.

Upon the motion of H. E. Day, '93, seconded by D. C. Chace, 1900, a committee of four were named by the chair-

man to draft resolutions of sympathy and forward them on behalf of the Club to the families of the deceased alumni: W. A. Slade, '98; H. E. Day, '93; H. K. Porter, '60; W. A. Wilbur, '88.

The meeting then adjourned and the club was obliged to sit down to dinner without Dr. Faunce, who was detained by the breaking-down of the engine on his train and did not reach the Cosmos Club until after nine o'clock.

While the members were awaiting the arrival of the President, a roll-call of those present was had in order to determine how many were engaged directly or indirectly in war work, and it appeared that about 75 per cent. were avowedly engaged in work brought into existence by the war, while most of the others were indirectly contributing some time toward war work.

BROWN PUBLICATIONS WANTED

Walter C. Wyckoff, '95, a member of the University Board of Trustees, has notified the University that there are still several gaps in the files of Brown publications in the University Club of New York City. Alumni will be interested to learn that the collection of Brown publications in the University Club at New York is one of the most complete in existence. This has been due in no small measure to the personal interest of Mr. Wyckoff, who is now anxious to secure all missing numbers. It is urgently requested that all alumni who possess copies of the following numbers forward them to W. C. Wyckoff, 546 Fifth ave., New York City.

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DEFEAT AT DEBATE

The Triangular Debating League this year held debates with only Brown and Dartmouth as contestants, Williams being temporarily out. Contrary to custom, Brown was defeated both at Providence and at Hanover, the decision, it is understood, having been 2-1 against her in each instance. The question was the popular election of President. Brown, however, still maintains a lead over both Dartmouth and Williams in the long annual series.

BASEBALL SCHEDULE

So far as completed, the Brown baseball schedule for the season of 1918 is as follows:

April 13.	Open.
April 19.	Boston College at Boston.
April 20.	Rhode Island College at Providence.
April 27.	Trinity at Providence.*
April 30.	Providence League at Providence.
May 4.	Dartmouth at Providence.
May 10.	Seton Hall at South Orange.
May 11.	Columbia at New York.
May 13.	Dartmouth at Hanover.
May 18.	Williams at Providence.
May 29.	Dartmouth at Providence.

* Since cancelled by Trinity.

BROWN BRIEFS

Commencement Day will occur this year on May 29, nearly a month earlier than usual, on account of the war.

More undergraduates than ever before are now engaged in athletic activities. Gymnasium classes have an enrollment of 376 students—270 in the military sections and 106 in the regular classes. Classes in heavy gymnastics claim 13 men; wrestling has 25; swimming has another 70. Track enrolls the remarkable total of 303 men—270 from the R. O. T. C. and 33 from undergraduates not in the R. O. T. C.

Archie Hahn, track coach for three years, has been temporarily released by the Brown Athletic Association to take a position as camp athletic director in connection with the Y. M. C. A. National War Work Council. Mr. Hahn will continue his regular duties at the

University until the completion of the present track schedule, and is expected to return to Brown next year when called. Coach Hahn is a graduate of the University of Michigan, class of 1904. He was an Olympic winner in the hundred yard dash. Track work at Brown has grown consistently under his leadership. This year he has had 300 men in his classes in track athletics.

Sixty-nine Brown men recently had a reunion "Somewhere in France."

President Faunce sent an Easter greeting to all Brown graduates and undergraduates in the national service.

The Alumni Gymnasium Class, meeting on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, under the direction of Henry G. Clark, of the class of 1907, has presented a trophy to the University to be known as the "Inter-Company Board Track Trophy." It will be presented to that company of the Brown R. O. T. C. which wins the most points in the series of weekly meets throughout the second semester. The scoring is so arranged that each man has to participate and no company can win on the record of star athletes alone. Keen interest is being shown by the four companies in the daily practices and weekly meets.

A course on "Military Sketching and Map Reading" is offered as a part of the University extension lectures by Professor Charles Wilson Brown of the geology department. The lectures are particularly suited for men who are to be selected for military service and it is understood that many members of the Rhode Island constabulary will take the course.

THE MONTH IN PROVIDENCE

The Soldiers' and Sailors' Club at 261

Benefit street, corner of Waterman, established for the benefit of all men in the service who happen to be in Providence, is a great success.

The Rhode Island Trust Company's new building is progressing rapidly. It is to be an 11-story limestone structure, occupying the site of the present building and extending eastward to Washington row. Late in March its north wall of stone had risen to the top of the fifth story.

The proposal to ratify the Federal prohibition amendment has been defeated in the General Assembly. The matter will come up next year after members have been elected with relation to the issue.

In place of Sheriff Wilcox, deceased, the chair at the right of President Faunce at the Commencement exercises in the meeting house will be occupied by Sheriff Jonathan Andrews of Woonsocket.

Prominent citizens have been in Washington urging the claims of Providence as a port of debarkation for troops and also appealing for Government completion of the Grand Trunk line from Palmer to Providence.

The city and its suburbs are in the "throes" of a discussion of the Rhode Island Company's affairs. A commission appointed by the Legislature has recommended a zone system of fares, which is pretty generally acceptable to the city, but has met with much opposition beyond the municipal boundaries.

The Board of Aldermen has voted in favor of the city's purchasing a strip of land at Field's Point for \$75,000, for harbor development and park purposes.

BRUNONIANS FAR AND NEAR

Faculty

Professor Delabarre's monograph on "Middle Period of Dighton Rock History" has been reprinted from the Publications of the Colonial So-

ciety of Massachusetts, Vol. 19, 1917. Professor Delabarre continues in this publication his notable study begun in his monograph entitled, "Early interest in Dighton Rock," which was characterized at the time of its publication as

"one of the most admirable instances of keen, unrelenting, insatiable, and effective search for all conceivable data connected with his subject."

J. Ansel Brooks, professor of Mechanics and Mechanical Drawing, has entered the engineering section of the aviation service. On February 22nd he left for Lake Charles, La., where he will be stationed for some time to come.

Arthur Francis Buddington, A. B. Brown 1912, M. S. Brown 1913, Ph. D. Princeton 1916, an instructor in the department of Geology at Brown University, has recently entered national service. He is a civilian instructor in the non-flying section of the aviation ground school at Princeton. Dr. Buddington conducts classes in map-reading, range finding, telegraphy, etc.

Professor Raymond C. Archibald, associate professor of Pure Mathematics at Brown, has been recently elected to positions of honor in two mathematical societies. He has been made a member of the council of the American Mathematical Society, and is chairman of the program committee for the summer meeting of the Mathematical Association of America.

Dean Otis E. Randall left on Feb. 27 for an extended speaking trip through the Middle West. He addressed a number of high schools in Chicago and Evanston, the Chicago Association of Commerce, the Chicago alumni at the LaSalle Hotel, and also the St. Louis, Cincinnati and Pittsburgh alumni in their respective cities.

President Faunce's Kenyon College lectures of last autumn will be published soon by Macmillan.

In recognition of Professor Koopman's 25 years of service as Librarian at Brown, William E. Foster, '73, Librarian of the Providence Public Library, gave a dinner at his home on Jan. 28. Those present were Professor Koopman, Mr. Bridgman, ex-1899, of the State Library, Mr. Chapin, 1908, of the Historical Society and Mr. Foster.

Alumni

1854

A recent number of "Arizona," a State magazine published at Phoenix, has on the front cover a fine picture of the home of Albert G. Utley, formerly of Providence. It is enough to make a New Englander, still mindful of the rigors of the past winter, wish to pull up stakes and go to the sunny Southwest, as Mr. Utley did years ago. The house is a large and handsome structure, apparently of stucco or cement, with an attractive terrace and as we have heard Mr. Utley describe it, a basement lounging room where on the hottest days the atmosphere is always comfortable, some 30 degrees lower than the temperature of the street. On the lawn are beautiful trees and shrubs, the latter in full flower.

1864

Henry B. Miner died on July 16, 1917, in Hyde Park, Mass. He had lived in Hyde Park for the past 50 years, and was principal of the Edward Everett School for more than 40 years, retiring as principal emeritus about three years before his death. Mr. Miner was born in Dorchester Sept. 17, 1843. After attending the grammar and secondary schools in Boston he attended Brown, graduating with the degrees of A. B. and A. M. From the time of his graduation he became actively interested in educational matters. He was successively head of the Canton High School, the Tilestone School in Mattapan and the Edward Everett School in Hyde Park. He was chairman of the trustees of the Hyde Park Public Library from 1883 until Hyde Park was annexed to Boston. He is survived by Mrs. Miner, who was a daughter of the late Dr. Henry E. Clark, and a daughter Dorothy.

1869

One of the last acts of Frank B. Grant, secretary of the class of 1869, who died Aug. 2, 1917, was to send out a general letter to all members of his class urging them to subscribe to the Brown Loyalty Fund.

1876

Edward Aborn Greene was on March 5 elected president of the People's Savings Bank in Providence in place of Dutee Wilcox, deceased. Webster Knight was elected a vice-president.

1886

Miss Rosamond Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen C. Harris, '86, has gone to France with a Red Cross unit to engage in child welfare work under Dr. Lucas.

1890

The class of '90 was represented probably by more members at the Visiting Day exercises at the University on March 6 than any other class. Those present were "Charlie" Forbes of Andover, "Bent" Porter of Philadelphia, Dealey, Alger and Guild of Providence, and Palmer.

1894

Clayton S. Cooper is publishing in the South American, beginning with the February number, a series of nine articles on the Latin countries south of us. He is also to have an article in the Century Magazine for May on "The Germans in South America." He is editing the National Marine, which is the magazine published by the National Marine League of the U. S. A.

1895

Frederick Bement, professor of chemistry and vice principal at Bryant high school, Long Island City, died at his home in Bay Side, L. I., July 7, 1917, after a brief illness. Professor Bement was 45 years old. He had been in failing health for nearly a year. After his graduation from Brown he became instructor in botany at Yale University, and later in high schools at Catskill, N. Y., and Passaic, N. J. He received the degree of A. B. at Brown and Sc. B. at Yale.

The death of Robert Bustard, father of Rev. W. W. Bustard, '95, occurred on July 18, 1917.

1896

Henry H. Waterman, for 22 years teacher of Latin and Greek at Classical high school died March 25, 1918, at the home of his brother, George Waterman, 38 Detroit avenue, following an illness of several months. He was in his 46th year. Mr. Waterman was born in Coventry, the son of the late Herbert and Mary E. Waterman, but lived practically all his life in this city. His early education was obtained in the public schools of Providence. He is survived by his mother, a sister, Mrs. Frederick Greene of Hampden Meadows, and a brother, George Waterman. He was a member of the Odd Fellows, a Phi Beta Kappa man and a member of the Barnard Club.

1897

Rev. John Howard Deming, curate of St. Paul's Church, New Haven, Conn., became rector of St. George's Church, Newport, on March 1.

William Torrey Peckham, assistant secretary of the Narragansett Electric Lighting Company, died March 28, 1918, at his home in Providence, after an illness of several months. Mr. Peckham was born in this city, July 14, 1876, the son of the late Dr. and Mrs. Fenner H. Peckham. He was educated at the Mowry & Goff School, was graduated from Brown in the class of 1897 and was a student at Harvard Law School in 1897 and 1898. About 16 years ago he married Miss Alice Heatherington Dike of Brooklyn, N. Y., who survives him, as do three children, Edith, Fenner Harris, 2nd, and Charles Torrey Peckham; a sister, Miss Alice Peckham, and, a brother, Dr. Charles F. Peckham.

1898

Dr. Thomas J. Burrage of Portland, Me., recently commissioned as a major in the medical corps and designated to take command of one of the base hospitals in France, left a few weeks ago for Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C., where he has been assigned to temporary duty at the base hospital there. He will remain there until the foreign hospital unit to which he has been attached is mobilized. In France he will be assigned to the medical department in the base hospital. Major Burrage was born in Portland in 1875 and is the son of Rev. Henry S. Burrage, '61, D. D. He was graduated from the Portland High School in 1894, being fifth in the class and a Brown Medal scholar. He was graduated from Brown University with the degree of A. B. The following year he continued in the University as a post-graduate in the department of comparative anatomy, acting as instructor and receiving the degree of A. M. in 1899. While in college he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and Phi Beta Kappa. During the summers of 1898 and 1899 he acted as assistant chemist at the Government biological station at Woods Hole, Mass. From Brown he went to the Harvard Medical School, from which he graduated in 1903, fifth in his class. During the next 16 months he acted as interne on the east medical service of the Massachusetts General Hospital. In 1904 he entered the general practice of medicine in Portland, but in 1909 gave up general

practice and became an internist. During his 13 1-2 years in Portland he has been connected with the Bowdoin Medical School in the departments of history, neurology and clinical medicine. For a short time he was connected with the Maine General Hospital as pathologist and physician to out-patients. In association with Drs. F. P. Webster and P. W. Davis of this city he founded the Portland Charitable Dispensary on India street, and for a number of years acted as visiting physician. For four years Dr. Burrage acted as physician to the tuberculosis class started by the late Bishop Codman. He has acted as assistant physician to the Children's Hospital since its beginning. In 1906 he was married to Miss Harriet Green Dyer, of Providence. Two sons have been born to them.

John A. Gammons has resigned the presidency of the Providence Baseball Club on account of business and patriotic engagements. He has been appointed by the Bureau of Mines a member for Rhode Island of the committee on Federal Explosives. On March 19, 1918, at their home in East Providence, a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gammons, to whom, in honor of ex-President Andrews, the name of E. Benjamin has been given. This is the fourth son (and fifth child) in the Gammons household.

C. H. George, II, is now connected, as a broker, with the office of E. L. Watson & Co., 205 Industrial Trust Company Building, where he is affiliated with a number of strong insurance and bonding companies.

1899

Rev. A. E. Kelsey has lately returned to Palestine on a ship bearing about 50 Red Cross surgeons, nurses and helpers together with needed supplies for the destitute Syrians and Armenians. Mr. Kelsey was for about a dozen years a missionary of the Society of Friends at Ram-Allah, just north of Jerusalem.

The permanent address of Urban C. Brewer is Boynton, Fla.

1902

A daughter was born to Dr. and Mrs. Harold G. Calder on July 18, 1917.

1902 and 1908

Russell W. Richmond, '02, A. Truman Patterson, '02, and C. Leslie Cordery, '08, announce that they have opened offices for the general practice of law at 806 Union Trust Co. Building, Providence.

1906

Richard D. Tucker has been appointed principal of the Heath School, Brookline, Mass., and entered on his new duties the first of February.

1908

Captain and Mrs. Norman S. Case announce the birth of a son, Norman Stanley, Jr., on July 8, 1917.

1909

Mr. and Mrs. Everett W. Manter announce the birth of a daughter, Charlotte Faunce, on April 15, 1917, at Taunton, Mass. Their present address is 67 North Adams st., Manchester, N.H.

Capt. Albert E. White, of the Ordnance Department, U. S. A. has been promoted to be Major, and has been transferred from New York to Washington. He is in the newly organized inspection section acting as expert on metals used in ammunition.

"Tink" Chandler announces the arrival of twin sons, Lawrence Fowler Chandler and Dana Geer Chandler, born on February 16th.

Donald G. Clark has a son, Robert Barstow Clark, born on February 1st. Clark is assistant purchasing agent, Brown and Sharpe Mfg. Co., Providence.

Hugh F. Cameron's safe arrival in France has been reported.

Lieutenant Harold P. Babcock is doing observation balloon service with the American Expeditionary Force.

A. M. Chace is with the Equitable Life Assurance Co. in Providence.

Charles Haven, ex-'09, is connected with the Gorham Manufacturing Co., Providence, in their Munition Department.

Harry F. Smith, stationed at Watervliet Arsenal, has been promoted to a captaincy.

Howard K. Jackson, who was headquarters sergeant of his company at Camp Devens and was transferred to the Officers Training School at Camp Lee, has received his commission as 1st lieutenant.

1910

Richard Allen is principal of the Veazie Street Grammar School, Providence.

1911

W. R. Swint is with the main office of E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Co.

1912

Sheldon C. Collins, son of A. C. Collins, '78, was commissioned a 2nd lieutenant at Plattsburgh, N. Y., R. O. T. C., November 27, 1917, and was assigned to Fort Meade, Admiral, Md., on Dec. 15.

Daniel Lucius Brown, son of Judge Lucius Brown, '66, of Norwich, Conn., has been admitted to the Connecticut state bar on examination. Only 13 out of 58 who took the examinations passed. Mr. Brown has been, during most of the time since he finished his examinations at the Harvard Law School last June, in the employ of the Government, giving instruction to classes in navigation at Cape May, Savannah and Wilmington, North Carolina. He was at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology as instructor in navigation. He expects soon to be sent south to establish schools, and will probably remain in that part of the country until July.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. William E. Sprackling of Providence, July 16, 1917.

Rev. H. G. Brown of Whiting, Vt., assumes charge of the Baptist church at Lakewood, R. I., this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Perry of Providence have announced the birth of a son, Thurston Baker Perry.

D. S. Kulp contributes to a denominational

paper, the Standard, an illustrated article on "Developing a New China." He is a member of the Faculty of Shanghai Baptist College.

1913

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Aurelius Gove announce the marriage of their sister, Miss Madeline Houghton Greene, to Ira Lloyd Letts on December 29, 1917. Mr. and Mrs. Letts are at home at 76 Grotto ave., Providence.

The address of Ordnance Sergeant George N. Hazard, formerly of Narragansett Pier, R. I., is Intermediate Ordnance Depot No. 1, L. of C., A. E. F., U. S. Military Postoffice No. 708, France.

Adrian G. Gould, M. D., graduated in 1917 from Harvard Medical School. He married Miss Ruth E. MacDiarmid of Melrose Highlands, Mass., Feb. 9, 1917. At present he is assistant industrial physician to the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., at Akron, Ohio, and also physician for the Akron public schools. His address is No. 3 Louise apartments, 36 King drive, Akron.

1914

The marriage of Miss Kathleen King Macleod, formerly of this city, who has for the past two and a half years been living in California, to Eugene Ross Dukette of New York, Brown 1914, Harvard Law School 1917, occurred on Aug. 22, 1917, in Piedmont, Cal., at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. George J. Wallace. Mr. Dukette has a commission in the national service.

1915 and 1916

The marriage of Sharon Osborne Brown, '15, to Miss Elizabeth Eddy Little, '16, of Edgewood occurred at St. John's Episcopal Chapel, Cambridge, Mass., some months ago. They are making their home at Andover, Mass., where Mr. Brown is teaching in Phillips Academy.

1916

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodwin Page of Pawtucket announce the engagement of their elder daughter, Miss Ethel Page, to Ralph Williams Pratt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Williams Pratt of Newton Centre, Mass.

Philip A. Feiner has been ordered to Cornell University for training for a commission in the aviation section.

"Eddie" Eayrs, ex-'16, has been appointed manager of the Providence league baseball team.

Alumnae

1897

Mabel L. Potter is representative for Fairhaven on the Home Economics Committee for Bristol County, Mass.

1906

Mr. and Mrs. James Howland Fenner of Lynn, Mass., announce the birth Aug. 18, 1917, of a daughter, Elizabeth Ballard Fenner. Mrs. Fenner was formerly Miss Bessie Ballard Grammont, '06, of this city.

1907

The marriage is announced of Mary Adams to

Curtis A. Hall. Their address is 219 West Main st., New Britain, Conn.

Mary Whittlesey is teaching in California.

1911

Clara A. Stanhope is teaching at Rogers High School, Newport, R. I. Her address is 60 John street.

1912

The marriage is announced of Florence B. Southwick to Rev. Jesse Simonds. Their address is Branford, Ct.

1915

Miss Lucy E. Bourn is bacteriologist in St. Luke's Hospital, New York. Miss Janet M. Bourn is bacteriologist in the Rockefeller Institute, New York.

Louise Cooper is teaching in the English high school in Providence.

Ethel Compton is principal of the grammar school in Methuen, Mass.

The reunion committee of the class is as follows: Helen A. Daniels, chairman; Edna G. Solinger, Elizabeth L. Angell, Inez McMeekan.

Helen L. Crooker and Marion K. Horton have Government positions in Washington, D. C. Their address is 2014 Kalorama road.

1916

The engagement has been announced of Miss Edith C. Davis, 1916, to Shirley E. Culver, 1915. Miss Davis is at present secretary to the superintendent of the Goodyear Metallic Rubber Shoe Co., Naugatuck, Conn. Mr. Culver enlisted in the Quartermaster's Corps with the Boot Repairing Unit, Camp Meigs, Washington, D. C.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Hurdie, a son, Everett Cushing Hurdie.

The marriage is announced of Gladys E. Winsor to Vernon G. Eberwine, acting Deputy Collector of Customs of the Port of Norfolk. Their address is Creek View Farm, Bennett Creek, Virginia.

The address of Alice M. Wood is 303 Washington ave., Providence.

Helen Thompson is secretary to the chief chemist of the Goodyear Metallic Shoe Co., Naugatuck, Ct.

DR. KING'S GATHERED FRAGMENTS

In this moderate-sized volume Dr. King, who is known to so many generations of Brown students, has brought together thirty-seven of his occasional papers, many of them having an autobiographical interest as well as that inherent in their subject-matter. The first, for instance, is a reminiscence of Dr. King's tour in Europe and his visit in Italy to the grave of one of the sweetest of hymn writers, Henry Francis Lyte. The aim of the book is distinctly religious, but of the practical sort. The cue to its purpose is given by the preface in words that read like a proverb: "Truth illustrated in life is doubly real and effective." The truths here presented by Dr. King are thus illustrated from a pastor's

experiences which began in 1863. Their application, however, is by no means confined to the religious life. Those who know Dr. King will be sure beforehand that they cannot get through the book without smiles or even laughter, for he accepts the spirit of the Horatian question, as Milton rendered it: "Laughing to teach the truth what hinders?" The book will be sought perhaps first of all by the young minister, but its aim and its lessons equally include his congregation.

Gathered Fragments: Incidents and Lessons from a Pastor's Life. By Henry Melville King. Louisville, Ky., Baptist World Publishing Co., 1917. 189 pages.

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